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According to the daily papers the city of West Palm Beach has undertaken a systematic campaign against mosquitoes. We trust that the movement is backed by trained men and will be such a success as to serve as an object lesson to the rest of the state. At least by this highly sensible and progressive action that city has been placed in a class by herself among Florida cities. May her tribe increase. May her hotels fill with tourists and her real estate men flourish as her own bay trees.

The Entomologist of the Experiment Station was recently called to Florence Villa to advise in regard to combatting mosquitoes.

Our most enthusiastic bee man while out on a pleasure ride on a recent Sunday afternoon espied a swarm in a tall tree. Seizing his wife's linen duster he climbed the tree, wrapped up the colony and carried it safely home. Wonder what his go-to-meeting (?) trousers look like?

## THE CUBAN CITRUS THRIPS IN FLORIDA

In a collection of thrips recently received from Miami from Mr. A. C. Mason are numerous specimens of Frankliniella insularis (Franklin). This is by no means a welcome addition to the "bugs" of Florida. Not much is recorded in economic literature concerning this insect but from what we have been able to gather from men who have worked in Cuban groves it would seem that it is a much more serious pest than is our Florida Flower Thrips and that spraying for it is a more or less regular procedure in the Isle of Pines. An effort will be made to discover how widespread this insect is in Florida and a close watch will be kept on its comings and goings.